**Jasper National Park (JNP)**

**SPCIAL RESTRICTIONS**
- Ban on felt-soled wading boots.
- No hand-launched watercraft or equipment allowed on Lake Minnewanka reservoir only.
- Motor boats (gas or electric) are allowed on Lake Minnewanka reservoir. Motor boats (gas or electric) are not allowed on any other lakes except closed waters.

**OPEN SEASONS - Lakes**
- May 20 to September 4
- October 1 to November 30

**CLOSED WATERS**
- Maligne Lake: Mouth of Maligne Lake to its junction with the Whirlpool River; Including that part of Maligne Lake situated within a 750 m radius of a point in the middle of the outlet stream where it leaves Maligne Lake; Outflow stream from Maligne Lake to junction with Whirlpool River.
- The part of Astoria River situated between Astoria River and a point 200 m downstream from Astoria River.
- The part of Athabasca River situated between Astoria River and a point 200 m downstream from Astoria River.

**OPEN SEASONS - All rivers and streams**
- May 20 to September 4
- October 1 to November 30

**Fishing Regulations**

**Banff National Park (BNP)**

**SPCIAL RESTRICTIONS**
- Ban on felt-soled wading boots.
- Reduced possession limits. See reverse.

**OPEN SEASONS**
- June 1 to October 31

**Kootenay National Park (KNP)**

**SPCIAL RESTRICTIONS**
- No hand-launched watercraft.
- No non-motorized watercraft and equipment used in the water such as canoes, kayaks, or stand-up paddle boards.
- No ice fishing on the Bow River.
- Ban on felt-soled wading boots.

**OPEN SEASONS**
- Year Round

**Mount Revelstoke and Glacier National Parks (MRGP)**

**SPCIAL RESTRICTIONS**
- Ban on felt-soled wading boots.
- No hand-launched watercraft or equipment allowed on Lake Minnewanka reservoir only.
- Motor boats (gas or electric) are allowed on Lake Minnewanka reservoir. Motor boats (gas or electric) are not allowed on any other lakes except closed waters.

**OPEN SEASONS**
- May 20 to September 4
- October 1 to November 30

**Waterlakes National Park (WNLP)**

**SPCIAL RESTRICTIONS**
- Ban on felt-soled wading boots.
- Reduced possession limits. See reverse.

**OPEN SEASONS**
- May 20 to September 4
- October 1 to November 30

**CLOSED WATERS**
- Maligne Lake: Mouth of Maligne Lake to its junction with the Whirlpool River; Including that part of Maligne Lake situated within a 750 m radius of a point in the middle of the outlet stream where it leaves Maligne Lake; Outflow stream from Maligne Lake to junction with Whirlpool River.
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- The part of Athabasca River situated between Astoria River and a point 200 m downstream from Astoria River.

**OPEN SEASONS**
- May 20 to September 4
- October 1 to November 30

**CLOSED WATERS**
- No hand-launched watercraft or equipment allowed on Lake Minnewanka reservoir only.
- Motor boats (gas or electric) are allowed on Lake Minnewanka reservoir. Motor boats (gas or electric) are not allowed on any other lakes except closed waters.

**CLOSED WATERS**
- Catch and release only

**Fishing Regulations**

**Park Canada**

**WARNING**
- All lakes.
- All streams.
- All rivers except closed waters.

**Restrictions**
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**Kootenay National Park (KNP)**

**SPCIAL RESTRICTIONS**
- No hand-launched watercraft.
- No non-motorized watercraft and equipment used in the water such as canoes, kayaks, or stand-up paddle boards.
- No ice fishing on the Bow River.
- Ban on felt-soled wading boots.

**OPEN SEASONS**
- Year Round

**Fishing Regulations**

**ATTENTION**
- Protect park waters

**High risk aquactic invasive species (AIS)**

- Aquatic invasive species (AIS) threaten freshwater ecosystems, harm fish populations, damage infrastructure and reduce aquatic recreational opportunities.
- Spread the advice of AIS. Clean, dry, your watercraft and water-related gear.
- Ban on felt-soled wading boots and hand-launched watercraft and equipment except closed waters.
- Special permitting required for all hand-launched watercraft and equipment.
- Invasive Vessels
- Whirling Disease
- Invasive Crayfish
- Eurasian Milfoil

**Before and after entering a water body:**

- **Check hiding spots for invasive species**
- **DRAIN**
  - All watercraft and equipment must be emptied and dried before re-launching.
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  - All rivers except closed waters.
- **DRAIN**
  - Ban on felt-soled wading boots.
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- **DRAIN**
  - Catch and release only

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  - Catch and release only

- **CERTIFY**
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  - Catch and release only

**List of accessible lakes and streams**

- All lakes.
- All streams.
- All rivers except closed waters.
### National Parks of Canada Fishing Regulations

**Fishing Permits**

Anyone with the age of 15 may fish in the national parks without a permit. A national park fishing permit is required for anyone who is 16 years of age or older. However, their catch is then included within the permit holder’s daily limit. A valid national park pass is also required when fishing in the mountain national parks.

**Check and Possession Limits**

Possession limits for Banff, Yoho and Kootenay national parks are as shown on page 14 of this brochure. The possession limit is for any nation species. You must correctly identify your catch. If you are not sure, release it immediately.

### Fishing Tips

**Check Your Tackle Box!**

- **Fishing with a hook and line held in the hand or with a set line.**
- **Artificial flies:**
  - A single or double hook on a common shank, whether attached to the hook or line.
  - A single or double hook on a common shank, with silk, tinsel, wood, fur, feathers or other materials dressed with silk, tinsel, wood, fur, feathers or other materials.
  - A single or double hook on a common shank, with silk, tinsel, wood, fur, feathers or other materials dressed with silk, tinsel, wood, fur, feathers or other materials.

**TIPS**

1. **Minimize the time you play a fish.** A fish played too long may not survive the ‘catch and release’ process. Please consider releasing any fish that you are not sure if you are entitled to keep.
2. **Fish without a valid national park fishing permit in your possession.**
3. **Use of a spinning device,** (no lead), or any combination thereof without a spinning device, whether attached to the hook or line.
4. **Any lead tackle (sinkers, jigs, lures and flies) under 50 grams;**
5. **Natural bait ban:**
   - Any food for fish in park waters.
6. **Harass fish by throwing objects or impeding their movements.**
7. The use of barbless hooks is recommended to make release easier.
8. **Single hooks are recommended to release fish more easily.**
9. **Angling for trout in waters exceeding 1°C reduces the ability of these species to survive the catch and release process. Please consider not angling species exceeding this limit.**

### Catch and Possession Limits

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### How to Identify Your Catch

**Natural bodies:**

- Red slash under jaw for preference identification.
- Small spots more numerous on side.
- Large spots on head.
- Large irregular spots.
- White leading edge on tail.

**Northwest Cutthroat Trout**

- Red slash under jaw for preference identification.
- Black spots, fins, back, tail.
- White leading edge on tail.
- White belly.

**Lake Trout**

- White belly, no orange slash on side.
- White leading edge on tail.
- White belly.

**Mountain Whitefish**

- Red slash under jaw for preference identification.
- White belly.
- White leading edge on tail.
- White belly.

### Report Suspicious Activities

**Banff, Yoho, Kootenay, Waterton Lakes:**

1-877-852-3100

**Jasper National Park:**

1-877-852-6176

**Mount Revelstoke and Glacier National Parks:**

250-837-7500

**Waterton Lakes National Park:**

403-859-5133

**Mount Robson and Jasper National Parks:**

250-837-7500

**Note:** This brochure is a summary of National Parks fishing permits. For a complete listing of National Parks fishing regulations section in the brochure.